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Filed: December 31, 2001 Examiner: D. D. CARR
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREPARING FATTY
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Washington, DC 20231

April 11, 2003

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated March 11, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-5, drawn to a method of preparing fatty acid esters, classified in class 554, subclass 167; and

Group II, claims 6-9, drawn to an apparatus, classified in class 422, subclass 144.